

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): John Boyland et al. Confirmation No. 8433  
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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

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Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action dated December 18, 2006, the Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.